Famous Pitcher Declares That Money Cannot Coax Him Back to Baseball.

The venerable Eddie Plank, formerly he leading left handed pitcher of the merican League, has pitched his last big league ball game Plank yesterday sturned his 1919 contract unsigned to the Yankees with a letter to the effect that it would be useless for the club to

send him a contract for a larger salary, se no amount of money would coax him back to the big league trail.

"This is not an attempt at a holdowt. An old fellow like me has gotten over hat stage, but it will be impossible for me to return to the American League,"

me to return to the American League, writes Eddie.

Despite the fact that Plank will be 44 years old next summer, the veteran left hander was sent a contract calling for quite a nifty salary in view of present conditions. Notwithstanding his years, Plank never lost his great cross fre ball. He pitched splendidly last summer in the Bethlehem Steel League.

Huggins figured Plank might prove handy in the hot weather, at which time he always has been at his best. Hug-gins also figured Eddle would earn his mit as a relief pitcher. Ed Plank, how-ever, absolutely insists he is through. ever, absolutely insists he is through.

Plank writes he has a garage and automobile business in his old home town, Gettysburg, which requires all his attention. Besides, he thinks, a man of his age should remain with his family.

Plank never wore a New Tork uniform, hence Huggins was shaded quite a bit in the deal last winter when Miller sent Shocker, Gedeon, Nunamaker, Maisel, Cuilop and cash to the St. Louis Browns for Pratt and Plank.

If Pratt also makes good his boast to retire Huggins's reputation as a trader will get quite a bump.

Trade Rumore Revived.

the New York club's offices yestarday, and their visit caused quite a little conjecture as to what is in the air. It is known that McGraw has been working on some deals for several weeks, hence the visits may have more than ordinary significance. While John Foster, secretary of the club, spoke of the calls as social calls, it is quite a coincidence that all three infielders arrived at the office at the same time.

Holke has heard so much Heinie Zimmerman, Bert Nieboff and alter Holke, Giant infielders, called at at the same time.
Holke has heard so much about Chase

Holke has heard so much about Chase playing first base that he came to New York to ascertain where he stands. Ever since quitting the Giants last July Holke has been employed at the Bethlehem Steel Company at South Bethlehem, Pa. Holke, from all indications, will be sent to Boston in some transaction, Wish Chase practically certain of coming to New York, Daubert satisfied in Cincinnati and Brooklyn contemplating shift-New York, Daubert satisfied in Cincinnati and Brooklyn contemplating shifting Schmandt to first, there is not much of a demand for Holke except from the

Nichoff came to the Glants by purchase from the St. Louis club after Doyle became ill last spring. The player then broke a leg a few weeks after he rejoined the Giants and was incapaci-tated for the remainder of the season. lehoff was released by the Glants in order to give the team another player in the twenty-two limit, but the club ontinued the player's salary and Nieoff now is on the New York club's eserve. Naturally he is keenly inter-isted in the plans the Glants may have

Col. Huston's Plea for Peace. At a dinner given in his honor last Monday night Lieut.-Col. Huston, half expressed the hope that baseball in the future would escape the manhandling it Huston added, "and now we have peace. Let us also have peace in baseball. There seems no reason why this great game always should be in a turbulant

vested in baseball deserve some con-sideration. They have a right to expect some reasonable profit. No business man in the world could stand it if his husiness is rocked to its foundations very year or so with one tumult after 'And after all baseball is the grandest Four Contests in Crescent A. C.

prosperous plane it occupied a few years

### NUNAMAKER IS TRADED.

Bosron, Feb. 11.—Jack Bentley, the most decorated player in baseball to-day, was sent back to the Baltimore internationals by the Boston Red Sox. Bentley, who entered the service after the 1917 International League season, won two decorations in France for bravery in action last fall, one of them the Distinguished Service Medal. Despite all his honors Bentley goes back to the minors.

Returns a 78 in Match Play,

Two Better Than in Qualify-ing Golf Round.

Special Despetch to Tax Sex.

PALN BEACH, Fla., Feb. 11.—The dret round of match play in the South Florida.

## TO START JUNE 9

Executives of U. S. G. A. Set Date After Conferring With Brae Burn Officials.

The executive committee of the United States Golf Association after conferring with the officials of the Brae Burn Coun-try Club, which was awarded the na-

Winged Foot natatorium. Chace, who was allowed 19 seconds handloap, defeated Scaman T. Nodine of the United States Navy, who was in receipt of 60 seconds. Despite the large handloap allotted the gob Chace won easily. He took the event by 3 yards in the fine time of 2 minutes 20 1-5 seconds.

F. C. Burrows of the West Side Y. M. C. A. with a 3 second start captured the C. A. with a 9 second start, captured the

# SIGN WITH YANKEES Most Decorated Ball Player BEST AT PALM BEACH

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 11.—The first round of match play in the South Florida The Boston club purchased him from Baltimore in \$917 as an emergency first baseman, as Gainer then had entered the navy and Dick Hoblitzel had made application for a commission in the Dental Corpa Bentley, however, jumped into service as quick as the rest. In the meantime the Red Sox obtained Stuffy Moinnia, the erack first baseman of the Athletics.

With the war ever Boston found itself with four first baseman on hand. McInnia, Hoblitzel, Gainer and Bentley. There had to be a cutting off some where.

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putting, which often was weak.

The first flight had a nineteen hole contest in which T. W. Palmer of Miami, who is one of the best players in Florida, was put out by A. H. Poehler. Minneapolia. Poehler had a medal score of 74 and his opponent 75 for the eighteen. A. F. Huston, St. David's, remained in the second flight by defeating H. R. Mailinson, Englewood, on the twentieth hole.

twentieth hole.

Baxter has to meet W. R. Simon of New York to-morrow, and Van Buren will meet Charles E. Van Vleck, Jr., of Montclair.

The Summaries. First Strteen.

The executive committee of the United States Golf Association after conferring with the officials of the Brae Burn Country Club, which was awarded the national open championship at the annual meeting of the parent organization in this city last month, has chosen June 2, 10 and 11 as the time for the open meeting.

These dates fall on the first three days of the week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, while the St. Albans Golf Club invitation tournament is scheduled the following three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The same area has seen and services.

First Sixteen.

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J. N. Vanburen, Shewsood, defeated A. R. Ridley, Engiswood, and 2; G. B. Van Vicek, Jr., Montelair, defeated Russel Colt. New York, 4 and 2; M. Dew Jerk, 4 and 3; M. Dew Jerk, 4 and 4

days of the Wednesday, while the St. Albans Wednesday, while the following three days, Thursday, Priday and Saturday. The same week has practically been selected for the Women's offstropolitan Golf Association championts ship at Arcola, although no offscial announcement has been made.

The last open tournament involving a title was held at Minitahda in 1918, sweet of the "hoodoo" which had for years followed him so far as the winning of nallowed him so far as the winning of nallowed

whether or not Brae Burn was willing to stage a patriotic open without a title was left up to that club, and the decision was in the negative. Immediately thereafter the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club put in a bid for such a tournament and late in June the event was brought off, Jock Hutchison winning with a total of 392, seven strokes better than Tom McNamara, his nearest rival.

CHACE SHOWS SKILL

IN N. Y. A. C. TANK

Schoolboy Star Wins 200

M. L. Kingsley, Tenega, 1 up; A. S. Cardiner, Butler Country, 5 and 5; C. E. Van Vick, 4 And 5; C. E. Van Vick, 4 And 6; C. E. Van Vick, 8 And 6; C

Schoolboy Star Wins 200
Yard Handicap Swim.

Paul Chace, the New York A. C. and Berkeley-Irving School star swimmer, last night won the 200 yard handicap swim, the feature of the New York Athletic Ciub's swimming tournament in the Winged Foot natatorium. Chace, who Winged Foot natatorium. Chace, who york, 2 up; Archibaid Selwyn, New York, 2 up;

onds. The handicap fancy dive, the only other event on the card, was won by Art thur McAleenan, the Berkeley-Irving schoolboy champion. McAleenan, who represented the New York A. C., won first prize from scratch.

Ensign Ted Cann, who recently was decorated for his gallant service in the United States Navy, gave a 50 yard exhibition swim. It was the first time the Linited States Navy, gave a 50 yard exhibition swim. It was the first time the en months. He completed the distance in 25 2-5 seconds. The summaries:

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### PLANK DECLINES TO BENTLEY, WAR HERO. BAXTER'S CARD IS HIGH LIGHTS AND SHADOWS TEX RICKARD SEEKS NO CURTAILMENT OF SPORTS AT HARVARD W. W. HASTINGS GETS IN ALL SPHERES OF SPORT | SPOT TO PITCH RING To Carry Out Programme as BETTER OF FAVORITE

TAVING got over the excitement of signing both principals for the big fight Tex Rickard yesterday suffered a mental reaction and became a little deubtful as to the financial success of his undertaking. He began to use his pencil, and when he contemplated the figures and coupled from with the fear that Willard's standing with the boxing followers of America might not be first rate he slumped perceptibly. However, we do not think that Rickard need have any fears. In the first place Americans are the greatest forgetters in the world. It may be true that Willard did little to help win the war or make the lot of our fighters happier, but even the soldiers returning from over there are talking about the coming fight and are keen for it. It is true that most of them would like to see the fight for the pleasure of seeing Willard knocked out. The general impression is that Dempsey will send the champion kicking in less than ten rounds. However, that is another question. The fight will be a success largely because of a condition similar to that which made every fight in which Leach Cross took part a financial success. More than two-thirds of those who came to see Cross box came there in the hope of seeing him whilpped decisively—and how they did jam themselves into the halls!

In regard to his war record Willard has informed Rickard that he can produce figures to prove that he was responsible for the collection of mere money for war funds than any other boxer. Rickard has sent Willard word to compile a detailed and itemised statement to substantiate that claim. This statement may be expected within the month. Willard says that he got two big calls to box for war funds in his cities—one from New York and two big calls to box for war funds in big cities—one from New York and the other from Chicago. He had to turn down the New York call, but boxed in Texas for the same cause—the United War Fund. In response to the Chicago call he came up from the South ready to tackle Dempsey or anybody else, he says, for the benefit of the Balyation Army. It will be recalled that the show was called off at the eleventh hour. We hope for the sake of Willard and Rickard that the statement proves Willard's contents.

Leonard Should Knock Out Willie Bitchie.

tention. But with all that the fight is sure to be a money maker, even though Rickard figures that it will cost \$200,000 to stage it.

Benny Leonard and Willie Ritchie, one the world's lightweight champion and the other the former American title holder, have been matched to meet at San Francisco on February 21 for four rounds. Billy Gibson wires

"Nothing now stands in the way of the Ritchie-Leonard match scheduled to take place here February 21. The contest has created more interest and will draw more morey than anything held here since the days of the old championships. John Tait, a prominent sporting man, offered Coffroth day for Shannon's road house in San Rafael to prepare himself for this match. Ritchie has been training for six weeks. We expect to visit Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. No new opponents so far have been picked."

for the gate in a four round encounter which may not go even that short distance is refused. Ritchie should be about as bad as any of the other lightweights or welle-weights in that section. Ritchie will have a hard time staying the for rounds, for most of his training has been done on the golf links, as he has not fought since October 10, 1817, when he was outpointed by Marty Farrell of New York on the coast. It is possible that in his quest of somebody who really has a chance of standing up against him Leonard will have to take on Battling Ortega, the best welterweight west of the Rockies. Ortega was in these parts not many days ago, but instead of remaining East he suddenly lit back to San Francisco. Ortega came heralded as a wonder. He got his first shock when Mike McTigue defeated him in twelve rounds in Boston and his second shock when he had the time of his life getting a draw with Soldier Bartfield, butterfly, but because of the indications. Then Ortega decided that the climate in the East was not healthy and rushed he has given of being a worthy conback to his tamales and his "suckers" over the glorious four round routs.

Carpentier Had Better Take That Offer Quickly.

Georges Carpentier is reported as being averse to coming over to America with Dempsey, regardless of the outcome of the Demprey-Willard bout, we doing Tex Rickard by four to one in the matter of being venturesome in a financial way. Dempsey would knock Carpentier cold. Mike Gibbons could beat the Frenchman and we believe that even Faker Fred Fulton could turn the trick. Carpentier had better grab that offer while the signing is good.

Royal Henley Rogatta WIR Not Be Revived Until Next Year. From various sources within the last few days have come stories of a plan among Harvard men to send over a crew to the Royal Henley regatta in England to defend the Grand Challenge cup, which Charley Lund's second Harvard eight won in 1914. One story has plans so far progressed that a subscription list has been started. Harvard men will does neave themselves the trouble and money this year, for we learn that in it will spite of the report to the contrary there will be no Henley regatta next summer. At a meeting of the Amateur Rowing Association in London on January 22 it was voted to hold a regatta on the Thames in June or July, but it was decided that this competition was not to be known as the Royal Henley. It is to be merely an interim regatts, to serve as a Referee Saves Canadian in Eighth means for reviving rowing and stirring up interest preparatory to the revival 75 yard handloap swim in 45 3-5 sec- Base Hospital No. 5, at Grand Central affair, as may be gleaned from the following resolution passed by the onds. The handloap fancy dive, the only Palace, last night and staged a show for Amateur Rowing Association:

the Henley Royal Regatta be held in 1919, an interim regatta should be held at Henley in June or July, and that the committee of management

was 19.

While Harvard's sending an eight to the Henley this year, had it been decided to hold the regatta, would have been problematical there is little of financing such a trip would not be an obstacle, for Robert Herrick, graduate coach of rowing at Harvard, we understand, is ready to bear most of the expense whenever Harvard decides that it will go over again. It was Mr. Heirick who paid the expenses in 1914.

In the Albert Hail bouts in London, in which the various branches of the allied to force were represented in international forces were represented in international south and was beaten in his bout in the second game of the Victory handicap John McManiman, playing 140, by 140 to 55. The winner's heavyweight class, but was beaten by division.

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Cornell will not take part in the American Henley on the Schuylkill on May 31. We learned yesterday that Cornell had arranged to act the has announced that it will send no varsity eight to the Schuylkill the big race at the Henley will bring together Columbia, Pennsylvania, the Navy and probably Princeton. Cornell had been expected to come, but it was out on a still hunt for somebody to row at Ithaca, and when Harvard consented to take the trip on May 31 Cornell jumped at the acceptance regardless of the Henley. The news of Cornell's defection will not make a hit with Columbia and Pennsylvania.

Has Numerous Proposals, but Will Await Action on Boxing Bills in Several States.

Tex Rickard, the ace of pugilistic premotion, having induced Jess Willard to
sign a paper calling for \$100,000 for
the champion, and followed this by getting Jack Dempsey's signature to a document calling for \$27,500 for the challenger, now is confronted by the most
difficult task of all—the discovery of a
spot in which to stage the dispute. But
with the calm persistancy that enabled
him to lure Willard from retirement
Rickard will now bend his energies to
surmounting the last obstacle. The promoter will start away Saturday to look
over the field, and by the time he re-

moter wifi start away Saturday to look over the field, and by the time he returns he thinks he will have some news on the subject. Queried yesterday as to whether any of the propositions regarding a site for the big fight appealed to him, the promoter replied:

"There have been several suggestions made to me that look good. I can't say anything as yet for publication, as it might interfere with the plans of all concerned. I don't expect to have any trouble in finding a place for the bout, but I certainly will not announce a selection until the various boxing bills in a number of States have been disposed of one way or another. It may be that boxing will be legalized in some State, with a decision, and a sufficient number of rounds to warrant the pitching of the ring there. However, I am

that he can fight in the ring. By the same token I am not giving Dempesy 527,500 on the strength of his reputation as a Beau Brummei or a social butterfly, but because of the indications he has given of being a worthy contender for the heavyweight champion. tender for the heavyweight champion-

"This contest is not to be one between drawing room favorites, but between two fighting men, and history records the fact that fighting men are not noted for decility or sweetness of temper. The Huns who bumped against the doughboys will testify to that fact.

"If championship boxing matches had been arranged on the basis of mild deportment I fear that John La Suilivan. Bob Fitzsimmons, Jim Jeffries, Tom Sharkey and many others would have been barred from the competition.

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McGOORTY STOPS ROLPH.

Round in London Bout. LONDON, Feb. 11.—Eddie McGoorty. the American boxer, easily defeate here last evening. The referee stopped the contest in the eighth round.

McGoorty and Rolph both took part in the Albert Hall bours in London in the London in the

GOBS SEE BOXING SHOW.

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secretary of the navy yard branch of the Knights of Columbus, and staged in the

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CANNERDOR, Mass. Feb. 11.—Full assurance that Harvard's sport programme for the spring would be carried on with much of the vigor of pre-wardays was given in a statement by the athlette authorities made to-day. An announcement by Frederick Emspp, acting graduate athlette manager, said that the unual Harvard-Yale regatts would be held at New London June 26, that Harvard and Cornell crews would race at Ithaca May 31, that Harvard-Princeton would meet on the Charles River April 19, that in all probability a triangular and field meet for Harvard, Tale and Princeton would be held in Cambridge May 17 and that the university baseball schedule would differ in no important respect from the days before the war.

Freshmen who will row on the Thames River, at New London, will not have their usual two weeks practice there before the Tale race, and there will be no spring training trip of the baseball team, but these are the only evidence of curtaliment of the old time order of things. It is said that a spring trip would have been arranged had it not been for the very early date of the spring recess.

Battery candidates began training to day in the cage at Soldiers Field, and the remaining players will be called out March 1.

JOE LYNCH MATCHED

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physical condition, but the National Sporting Club physician made a com-plete examination of the champion to-

train for the bout, having come out of the trenches and gone direct to the ring. Lynch expressed a desire for another

Up With the Tourney Leaders.

bout, but I certainly will not announce a selection until the various boxing bills in a number of States have been disposed of one way or another. It may be that boxing will be legalized in some State, with a decidion, and a sufficient number of rounds to warrant the pitching of the ring there. However, I am not at all worried over the question of a place in which to stage the fight. That is the least of my troubles.

WITH JIMMY WILDE

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Burke, 4 to 1. 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, second Burke, 4 to 1. 8 to 5 and 4 to 5, second Bogart, 110 (Connelly), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:47 I-8. Slumberer, Billson, Handfull, Kebo, Slumber II., W. H. Buckner and Pilsen also ran. AMATEUR BEATS CANNEFAX.

Professional Cuelst.

because of the weight conditions. Although Wilde has demonstrated his superiority over both bantams and feather-weights in this country and could easily capture the titles of those classes, he has not challenged the holders for championship battles, and the Weishman's named the amateur metropolitan champion; title is that of flyweight champion. The limit of this class in England is 112 nounds at 2 P. M. which weight Lynch by 86 to 46 Pirsch who class 86 to Cannefax's 46. pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 25 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 25 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 25 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to Cannetan's 40, pounds at 2 P. M., which weight Lynch by 80 to 40, Firsch, who plays 30 to 40 to 45 points.

In last night's games Cannetan won from Mallon by 40 to 19, but was besten

by Frinch by 30 to 25.

SCUDDER CUE VICTOR. F. O. Soudder defeated D. L. Spence Charles Worcester defeated James by 50 to 48 in the amateur three cushion Shea by 130 to 108 last night at Rational tourney at Thum's room last night. The Recreation Brooklyn, in the Victory contest lasted ninety innings. The victor

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